

## Section 1: 8-K (8-K)

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**UNITED STATES  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**  
WASHINGTON, DC 20549

**FORM 8-K**

**CURRENT REPORT PURSUANT TO  
SECTION 13 OR 15(d) OF THE  
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934**

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported): **June 25, 2019**

**ALLIANCE RESOURCE PARTNERS, L.P.**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

**Delaware**  
(State or other jurisdiction of  
incorporation or organization)

Commission  
File No.: **0-26823**

**73-1564280**  
(IRS Employer  
Identification No.)

**1717 South Boulder Avenue, Suite 400, Tulsa, Oklahoma 74119**

(Address of principal executive offices and zip code)

**(918) 295-7600**

(Registrant's telephone number, including area code)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligations of the registrant under any of the following provisions:

- Written communications pursuant to Rule 425 under the Securities Act (17 CFR 230.425)
- Soliciting material pursuant to Rule 14a-12 under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14a-12)
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 14d-2(b) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.14d-2(b))
- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Securities registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

| Title of each class | Trading Symbol(s) | Name of each exchange on which<br>registered |
|---------------------|-------------------|--|
| Common Units        | ARLP              | The NASDAQ Stock Market LLC                  |

Indicate by check mark whether the registrant is an emerging growth company as defined in as defined in Rule 405 of the Securities Act of 1933 (§230.405 of this chapter) or Rule 12b-2 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (§240.12b-2 of this chapter).

Emerging growth company

If an emerging growth company, indicate by check mark if the registrant has elected not to use the extended transition period for complying with any new or revised financial accounting standards provided pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act.

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**ITEM 1.04 MINE SAFETY – REPORTING OF SHUTDOWNS AND PATTERNS OF VIOLATIONS**

Section 1503 of the Dodd–Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act (the "Act") requires disclosing on a Current Report on Form 8-K the receipt of an imminent danger order under Section 107(a) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 ("the Mine Act") issued by the federal Mine Safety and Health Administration ("MSHA").

On Tuesday, June 25, 2019, at approximately 9:50 a.m., Central Time, Gibson County Coal, LLC ("GCC"), an operating subsidiary of the Partnership, received an imminent danger order under Section 107(a) of the Mine Act at the Gibson South Mine. The Order was issued when a representative of MSHA allegedly observed increased methane at the face area of one of the mine's working sections. No miners were injured as a result of the condition alleged in the Order. GCC made various adjustments to the ventilation curtains across the working section and, when retested, the methane levels were observed to be in compliance. The Order was then terminated. GCC is reviewing MSHA's Order and anticipates seeking judicial review of its issuance.



**SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

**Alliance Resource Partners, L.P.**

By: Alliance Resource Management GP, LLC,  
its general partner

By: /s/ Joseph W. Craft III  
Joseph W. Craft III  
*President, Chief Executive Officer  
and Chairman*

Date: June 28, 2019



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